

FRAMEWORK

TIER 1	Risk Screen Tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted as part of routine service provision Covers all five domains of clinical risk identified within the Risk Screening Tool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suicide, Violence/Aggression, Vulnerability, Absent Without Approval, and Care Responsibilities Completed by assessing clinician
	Case discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress to next stage if clinician identifies that they require support to assess or manage risk of violent behaviour found on the risk screen The clinician conducting a Tier 1 assessment alerts a senior clinician about their concern regarding violence risk A multidisciplinary team review* is conducted, during which a decision is made regarding whether to proceed with a request for a Tier 2 assessment and management plan. This review may be ad hoc, and does not necessarily have to contain members of the entire team.
TIER 2	Violence Risk Assessment and Management (V-RAM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress to next stage if decision is made to conduct a Tier 2 assessment Involves a comprehensive assessment focussing on violence risk and problem behaviours (V-RAM) Completed by a senior clinician A copy of the V-RAM assessment is recorded in CIMHA and can be accessed by the consumer's treating team. Ongoing management of the consumer's care (including implementation of recommendations made on the V-RAM) remains with the PSP.
	Case discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress to next stage if concerns regarding complex violent behaviour that require specialist input are identified The outcome of the V-RAM assessment is reviewed in the context of a multidisciplinary team review*. A decision is made regarding whether to request a Tier 3 assessment and response. This review may be ad hoc, and does not necessarily have to contain members of the entire team.
TIER 3	Forensic specialist assessment and response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress to next stage if decision is made to refer for Tier 3 assessment Involves referral to a specialist forensic service who will determine whether the consumer meets intake criteria. If intake criteria are met, the specialist forensic service will discuss the appropriate intervention (e.g., secondary consultation, forensic psychiatric opinion or a structured risk assessment) with the referrer. Once the chosen intervention is complete, a report (including treatment recommendations) will be generated, uploaded to CIMHA, and sent to the referring clinician Completed by a specialist forensic service clinician
NOTE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Although the responsibility for conducting assessment may move to different clinicians throughout this process; the primary responsibility for coordinating this process and providing care to the consumer will rest with the PSP. However, in some instances, ongoing specialist support may be provided. Progression through this process may stop at any stage if it is deemed appropriate

*At present, a specific definition of multidisciplinary team has not been provided by Departmental policy. This is so that individual services can use local procedures based on the staffing and service needs unique to that service. Clinicians are encouraged to utilise local procedures when conducting multidisciplinary team reviews. However, it is relevant to note that, for the purposes of the Framework, a multidisciplinary team review can be called in an ad-hoc fashion to accommodate situations that cannot wait until the next scheduled review.

¹For an acutely unwell consumer or where there are concerns about imminent risk, the Violence Risk Assessment and Management (V-RAM) proforma does not replace standard clinical practice, including where appropriate, escalation for senior staff input and liaison with and/or referral to forensic services. A V-RAM will provide further assessment to inform ongoing management and may occur in acute settings where timelines allow this.

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